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FOR: PRODUCING ARTWORK USING COLOR PRINTERS

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Responsive to the FINAL REJECTION of December 27, 2007, please consider the following:

REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested of the rejection of all of the pending claims in the previous action based upon the Abram et al reference. The Abram et al reference essentially has nothing to do with the claimed invention, and it is respectfully submitted that the majority of the statements made in the final rejection about the Abram et al reference simply are not correct.

Claims 1 and 24 call for a method of producing a piece of art work using a computer controlled color printer capable of printing a least three colors. One or more of the colors are selectively disabled, while NOT disabling all of the colors besides black. With the printer the non-disabled colors of the image are printed onto a substrate.

Abram et al nowhere teach producing a piece of artwork using a computer controlled color printer capable of printing at least three colors. No portion of the Abram et al disclosure which allegedly discloses such a printer is indicated in any way in the final rejection, and in fact none exists. Rather all the printer in Abram et al does is print a line art image such as illustrated at 805 or 820 in figure 8. The line art merely provides

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